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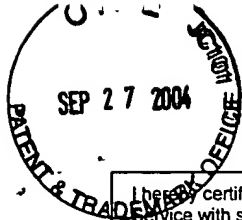
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Dear Sir:

A telephonic interview was conducted in this application on 10 September 2004; an Interview Summary provided by the Examiner was mailed by the Office, along with an Advisory Action on 17 September 2004.

Applicants believe that the Interview Summary provided by the Examiner is accurate and complete. Examiner Clow advised that her supervisor did not approve the claim amendments proposed and therefore an Advisory Action was issued and the proposed Response to Final Office Action was not entered.

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